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- . Request for Acknowledgment of Consideration of Information Disclosure Statements (IDS):

  It is noted that the all IDS filed on 03/05/2007 have been considered and sent to Applicants (attached to Office Action dated 11/28/2006). For the Applicants' convenience, copies of all IDS are enclosed.
- . Amendment after Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R 1.312: See attached form PTO-271.

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| 1. ☑ The amendment filed on <u>05 March 2007</u> under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been: |   |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
| a) 🛛 entered.  |   |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
| b) 🗀   | entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.  |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
| c) 🗌   | disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue. |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
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